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SUBJECT: FOOTWEAR CONSULTATION WITH HONG KONG

1. AFTER LEGAL REVIEW OF U.S. HONG KONG PRELIMINARY
LANGUAGE ON FOOTWEAR RESULTING FROM LANDE MISSION, WE
BELIEVE BEST FORM TO ACCOMPLISH INTENT OF THE CON-
SULTATIONS WOULD BE AN EXCHANGE OF LETTER.

2. EXCHANGE OF LETTERS INCORPORATING LANGUAGE IN JOINT
PRELIMINARY TEXT WOULD RESULT IN A LETTER FROM HONG KONG
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WHICH WOULD BE ANSWERED BY A U.S. LETTER. WE ASSUME
HONG KONG LETTER WOULD INCORPORATE RELEVANT LANGUAGE OR
CONCEPTS IN DRAFT TEXT. U.S. RESPONSE WOULD READ AS
FOLLOWS: (THIS IS A DRAFT)

THIS IS TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR LETTER OF ----- DETAILING
MEASURES TO BE TAKEN BY THE GOVERNMENT OF HONG KONG WITH

RESPECT TO CERTAIN NON-RUBBER FOOTWEAR WHICH READ AS
FOLLOWS:

(TEXT OF HONG KONG LETTER TO BE INSERTED)

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE U.S. APPRECIATES THE DECISION
BY THE GOVERNMENT OF HONG KONG TO TAKE THESE ACTIONS, AS
REQUESTED BY OUR GOVERNMENT, TO HELP ASSURE THAT PRESENT
AGREEMENTS COVERING TRADE IN CERTAIN NON-RUBBER FOOTWEAR
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE
GOVERNMENTS OF THE REPUBLICS OF CHINA AND KOREA DO NOT
BECOME INEFFECTIVE. THOSE AGREEMENTS ACCOUNT FOR A
MAJOR PART OF THE U.S. IMPORTS OF THE ARTICLES COVERED
BY THE AGREEMENTS.

IN ORDER TO EFFICIENTLY ADMINISTER THE NAMED ORDERLY
MARKETING AGREEMENTS, THE PRESIDENT HAS DELEGATED TO ME
THE AUTHORITY FOUND IN U.S. STATUTES, (19 USC 2253(G)(2)
TO INITIATE CONSULTATIONS WITH COUNTRIES FROM WHICH
IMPORTS HAVE INCREASED AND WHICH MAY BE THREATEN THE
EFFECTIVENESS OF THE OMAS, AND TO TAKE ACTION UNDER U.S.
LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUING OF REGULATIONS AFFECT-
ING ENTRY, OR WITHDRAWAL FROM WAREHOUSE FOR CONSUMPTION,
OF SUCH ARTICLES.

AS A RESULT OF OUR CONSULTATIONS, THE GOVERNMENT OF
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HONG KONG HAS DECIDED TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS, AS SET
FORTH IN YOUR LETTER.

I WISH TO INFORM YOU THAT IN RESPONSE TO THE ACTIONS
BY THE GOVERNMENT OF HONG KONG AND IN ORDER TO HELP ASSURE
THAT PRESENT OMAS WITH THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE REPUBLICS
OF CHINA AND KOREA DO NOT BECOME INEFFECTIVE, THE GOVERN-
MENT OF THE U.S. WILL TAKE THE FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE
ACTIONS PURSUANT TO U.S. STATUTES.

A. THE U.S. AUTHORITIES SHALL ACCEPT ENTRY OF ALL
SUCH PRODUCTS WHEN ACCOMPANIED BY A VALID CERTIFICATE OF
HONG KONG ORIGIN ISSUED BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES IN
HONG KONG, AND WHEN SUCH PRODUCTS MEET ALL OTHER U.S.
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS.

B. THE U.S. AUTHORITIES MAY DENY ENTRY TO IMPORTS
FROM HONG KONG OF THE PRODUCTS DESCRIBED IN ANNEX I OF
YOUR LETTER WHEN SUCH PRODUCTS ARE NOT ACCOMPANIED BY A
VALID CERTIFICATE OF HONG KONG ORIGIN.

C. THE U.S. WILL CONSULT WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF

HONG KONG IF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES PROPOSES
TO INTRODUCE ANY ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS
DESIGNED TO ASSIST THE AUTHORITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF
HONG KONG TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE ACTIONS NOTED IN YOUR
LETTER OF

D. THESE U.S. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS WILL BE IN
EFFECT UNTIL JUNE 30, 1981.

THE USG OF COURSE, RETAINS ITS GATT RIGHTS. SHOULD
THE USG CONTEMPLATE EXERCISING ITS GATT RIGHTS TO MEET
THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED IN OUR LETTER, THE U.S. AUTHORI-
TIES SHALL AFFORD FULL OPPORTUNITY TO HONG KONG TO
CONSULT, EXCEPT IN CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE DELAY
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WOULD CAUSE DAMAGE DIFFICULTY TO REPAIR. IN SUCH CON-
SULTATIONS THE U.S. AND HONG KONG AUTHORITIES SHALL
SEEK MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS TO MEET THE U.S.
CONCERN. WE UNDERSTAND THAT EITHER GOVERNMENT MAY RE-
QUEST CONSULTATIONS AT ANYTIME ON ANY MATTER RELATED TO
THIS EXCHANGE OF LETTERS.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE TWO GOVERNMENTS MAY MEET
SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEM IS IMPLEMENT-
ED IN ORDER TO ASSESS ITS EFFECTIVENESS.

3. CONGEN SHOULD DISCUSS THIS FORMAT WITH LAURIE MILLS.
THE TPSC WILL DISCUSS WHETHER TO ACCEPT THIS APPROACH
AT A MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14. CHRISTOPHER

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